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SUBJ: CARIBBEAN CONGRESS OF LABOUR CONVINCED OF ARMS SHIPMENTS
THROUGH ANTIGUA

REF: BRIDGETOWN 0625 (NOTAL)

1. SECRETARY-TREASURER OF THE CARIBBEAN CONGRESS OF LABOUR,
BURNS BONADIE, TOLD BARBADOS TELEVISION MARCH 4 THAT THE
CCL WAS NOW CONVINCED THAT ANTIGUA HAD BEEN USED AS A TRANS-
SHIPPING POINT FOR ARMS DESTINED FOR SOUTH AFRICA. SPECIFICALLY
BONADIE SAID THAT THE ARMS AND AMMUNITION WERE CARRIED BY
THE SHIP S.A. TUGELALAND IN AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 1977 FOR THE
SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE. BONADIE'S STATEMENT CAME AFTER HE
MET WITH TWO LEADERS OF THE ANTIGUA WORKERS UNION WHO HAVE
ACCUSED THE CANADIAN FIRM SPACE RESEARCH CORPORATION OF
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ACTUALLY RUNNING THE WEAPONS FROM CANADA THROUGH
ANTIGUA TO SOUTH AFRICA.

2. BONADIE ALSO TOLD THE TELEVISION NEWS REPRESENTATIVE
THAT THE CCL INTENDED TO SEND PROTESTS TO THE
GOVERNMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA TO DRAW
ATTENTION TO THE USE OF ANTIGUA AS AN ARMS

TRANSSHIPMENT POINT AND TO SPACE RESEARCH CORPORATION
AS A CANADIAN FIRM WITH AN AMERICAN SUBSIDIARY.

3. EMBASSY HAS NOT YET RECEIVED ANY COMMUNICATION FROM
THE CCL ON THIS SUBJECT. NOR HAVE WE BEEN
APPROACHED TO COMMENT ON BONADIE'S ENDORSEMENT OF THE
ANTIGUA WORKERS UNION CHARGES.
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